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Madrid, March 25. N. S.

THE King of Spain is in perfect Health, and intends shortly to take a Journey to the *Escorial*, or to *Andalusia*. The Marquis de Harcourt, Ambassador from France, will shortly have his Audience of Leave, in order to return to France. The Countess of Berlips is on her departure from hence to Germany. 'Tis said, the Almirante of Castile has Leave to return to Court, and that he intends to meet the King in his Journey to *Andalusia*. Orders are sent to *Cadiz*, to hasten the departure of the Spanish Men of War that are fitting out there for the *West-Indies*.

Rome, March 21. The Cardinal d'Asti, Legate of *Urbino*, arrived here the 15th Instant from that City, and the next day had Audience of the Pope, who gave him the Cardinal's Cap. Yesterday the Pope gave Audience to the Duke d'Uceda Ambassador from Spain, and to several other Foreign Ministers. The Cardinal de Bouillon is gone to *Bagnai*, to meet the Cardinals d'Estrees, Fourbin, and Coaslin, who are lately come from France, and will be here this evening. Cardinal Delfino, the Pope's late Nuncio at Paris, is expected in a day or two; and 'tis said, that as soon as these Cardinals are arrived, the Pope will hold a Consistory, to give the Caps to such of the Cardinals as have not yet received the same. Signior Anguiscola was appointed by the Pope to be his Nuncio at the Court of Florence in the room of Signior Ruffo, whom he has made Master of his Chamber, but he has desired to be excused from this Employment by reason of his great Age. The Pope has bestowed upon Signior San-Vitale the Office of Vice-Legate of *Avignon*, vacant by the Surrender of Signior Gualtieri, who is named to be his Nuncio at the French Court. The Pope has ordered several Sums of Money to be paid for carrying on the new Works at Port Anzo, and designs to go thither as soon as the Weather grows warmer. The three Princes of Poland, who lately came to this Place from Venice, continue here incognito; The Pope has sent to Compliment them, and they have likewise received the Compliments of the Cardinals, the Foreign Ministers, and other Persons of Quality. 'Tis still said, the Queen-Dowager of Poland intends to go and reside at *Municke* in Germany, being invited thither by the Elector of *Bavaria*. The Count de Lemos, General of the Gallies of Naples, is come hither from Naples. The Great Duke of Tuscany is shortly expected here from Florence. The Count de Marwitz, Ambassador from the Emperor, is preparing for his return to Vienna; He has not yet been able to obtain an Audience of the Pope.

Venice, March 27. The Senate have ordered a considerable Sum of Money to be sent to *Dalmatia*, to be employed for repairing the Fortifications of *Castelnovo*, and to pay the Arrears due to their Forces in that Province. They have lately sent Instructions to Signior Grimaldi, for renewing his Conferences with the Turks about the Business of the Limits. Our last Advices

from Constantinople give an Account, that Signior Soranzo, Ambassador from this State, had made his Publick Entry into that City; The Captain-Bassa received his Excellency at a place called *Tophana*, on the other side the Water, and being landed at Constantinople near the Arsenal, the Ambassador and his Retinue mounted the Horses which the Grand Signior sent for that purpose, and his Excellency was conducted by the Captain-Bassa to his House, where he splendidly entertained the Bassa, and the other Turkish Officers that accompanied him; And in few days his Excellency was to have Audience of the Grand Signior and Grand Visier. Signior Tocco d'Oro being made a Procurator of St. Mark, for which he paid the usual Sum of 25000 Ducats, took Possession of that Dignity last week with the accustomed Solemnity. The Duchess-Dowager of Hanover, who lately arrived here from Vienna, intends in a day or two to continue her Journey to Modena. The Prince of Parma will be going from hence in few days to Rome.

Mittau, March 27. The last Advices from the Saxon Camp before *Riga*, give a more particular Account than we had before, of their late Action in tacking the *Dunamunder* Fort. On the 23d Instant, 1500 Saxons, commanded by Major-General Carlowitz, stormed the said Fort; A Lieutenant with 40 Granadiers got upon the Wall, but those that should have supported them not coming timely to their Assistance, they were all cut off. The Swedes plied the Saxons very warmly with their Cannon, which broke the Bridge of Boats over the *Dwine*, and made a great slaughter among the Saxons. This Action lasted near five hours; Major-General Carlowitz was very much wounded, and died very soon after; The number of the Saxons that were killed on the spot, and are since dead of their Wounds, amounts to 600. General Fleming being resolved to gain this Post whatever it cost, it being of great use to him in order to the taking of *Riga*, prepared every thing for a second Attack, and a considerable Breach being made, he commanded 2000 Men for that Service, who accordingly on the 25th, by break of day, advanced under the Cannon of the Fort, and were ready to begin the Storm, when the Governor and Chief Officers of the Garrison finding their Ammunition almost spent, and that they were not in a condition to withstand another Assault, they Capitulated upon Condition, That the Garrison should with all convenient speed be transported to Sweden or Finland, and in the mean time should remain in the Saxon Camp. Lieutenant-General Fleming has placed a Garrison of 600 Men in this Fort, and intends in few days to attack the Citadel of *Riga*, his Design being, if possible, to avoid battering or bombarding the Town. Some of the Inhabitants of *Livonia* are come to the Saxon Camp for Protection, which has occasion'd the publishing another Declaration by Count Dahlberg Governor of *Riga*, to exhort the Inhabitants of that Duchy to remain true to their Allegiance to the King of Sweden, and to promise a Pardon to such as have taken Service with the Saxons, and shall quit the same within a certain time. The Report of a Body of Muscovites being on their March to join the Saxons, meets with no Credit; nor does there appear any likelihood of their being reinforced by the Troops of the Crown of Poland, or the Duchy of Lithuania; But 'tis said, the rest of the King of Poland's own Forces that were quartered in Poland and Lithuania are marching to the Camp before *Riga*; and that the King is shortly expected there.

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